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PRESS

KCRW (Saul Gonzalez) [Received 7/25]—OPEN—Producer would like to schedule in person interview with EPA RA. Working on getting deadline information as well as additional details on request from producer. Nahal Mogharabi.

Pacific Coast Business Times (Marissa Nall) [Received 7/20]—OPEN—Reporter is working on a story about EPA RA. Working on getting deadline information from reporter as well as some clarifying information. Nahal Mogharabi.

Central Coast Public Radio – KCBX (James Reddick) [Received 7/24] - OPEN - Reporter wants an update on the status of the proposed aquifer exemption at the Arroyo Grande Oil Field in San Luis Obispo County. Additionally, he's looking for an update on aquifer exemption applications in his area of coverage, which includes San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Monterey Counties. HQ approved proposed response; waiting on website update. DDL: 7/27. WTR. SoCal/Central CA. Soledad Calvino.

San Luis Obispo Tribune (Cassandra Garibay) [Received 7/25] - CLOSED - Reporter wants information regarding the waste impact on landfills because of the California Mid-State Fair in Paso Robles. Referred her to CalRecycle and the Environmental Health Division at the County of San Luis Obispo. LND. Central CA. Soledad Calvino.

Courthouse News Service (Nathan Solis) [Received 7/25] - CLOSED - Reporter was looking for a statement regarding the Administration's approach to challenging California's fuel-economy standards. Referred to HQ. NorCal, Central CA, SoCal. HQ. Soledad Calvino.

Fresno Bee (Barbara Anderson) [Received 7/25] - CLOSED - Reporter wanted to talk to someone about wildland fires and the health effects of the smoke. Referred her to the PIO information line and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. AIR. Central CA. Soledad Calvino.

SF Chronicle (Jason Fagone, Cynthia Dizikes) [Received 7/23] – CLOSED – Reporters are writing a story about HPNS Building 606. They have a new follow-up question regarding our response about Building 606. Provided written response. SFD, NorCal, Michele Huitric

SFGATE (Drew Costley) [Received 7/23] – CLOSED – Reporter is requesting an interview with EPA about the results of a Stanford University study showing that natural sources of the toxic form of chromium appear in wells that provide drinking water to a large population in California. Referred reporter to USGS. WTR, NorCal, Michele Huitric

CurbedSF (Chris Roberts) [Received 7/17] – CLOSED – Reporter has questions regarding storm/sewer lines at Parcel A-1 of the former Navy shipyard at Hunters Point. Provided written response. SFD. NorCal. Michele Huitric

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media:

Air Quality/Yosemite Closure – Posted to our [Twitter](#) page, in English and Spanish, about the closure of Yosemite National Park due to the Ferguson Fire and linked to the U.S. Forest Service's [Wildland Fire Air Quality Response Program](#) site and the [Air Now Air Quality Guide for Particle Pollution](#) site.

Web Updates:

Superfund Task Force – Updated our [About EPA Region 9](#) page to highlight the one-year anniversary of the Superfund Task Force.

San Francisco Bay Delta – Updated text, documents and layout on our San Francisco Bay Delta's ["Watershed EIS Comments"](#) and ["Technical Support and Regulatory Assistance"](#) pages.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA-12): An organizing call was held today with Agencies participating in the upcoming Tuesday, July 31, 2018 briefing and field tour of the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard. Participants included the Navy, EPA, CDPH, and OCII. The July 31, 2018 briefing and field tour will be from 10:00am – 12:00pm. In addition to Leader Pelosi, San Francisco Mayor London Breed has confirmed and they are awaiting confirmation for Supervisor Malia Cohen. The discussed the briefing location and that Leader Pelosi, Mayor London Breed, and Supervisor Malia Cohen, if confirmed, would make some opening remarks, followed by 5-minute presentations from each of the Agency representatives as well as some community representatives. This would be followed by a bus tour of parcel A and parcel G. They discussed a press availability for elected officials. Expected participants from EPA Region 9 include Regional Administrator Mike Stoker, Chief of Staff Amy Miller, Superfund Division Director Enrique Manzanilla and Superfund's Angeles Herrera and John Chesnutt.

Sen. John McCain (R-AZ): At the request of Alexis Strauss, Brent Maier has reached out to Austin Kennedy, Legislative Liaison in the Office of Senator John McCain on behalf of Regional Administrator Mike Stoker who will be in Phoenix on Tuesday, August 21, for a meeting with Mayor Thelda Williams scheduled from 9:00am – 10:00am. Following that meeting, Mike would like to have a brief meeting in the Senator's Phoenix Office, perhaps from 10:30am – 11:00am. Mike would be accompanied by Alexis Strauss, Senior Advisor.

Upcoming Congressional Meetings, Hearings, Intergovernmental Meetings and Events:

Monday – Thursday, July 30 – August 2, 2018 - National Conference of State Legislators Annual Summit: The National Conference of State Legislators will host their annual summit in Los Angeles July 30-August 2. The Natural Resources and Infrastructure committee will meet to consider policy directives and resolutions. Other sessions will focus on ethanol fuels, CAFÉ standards, and drinking water safety. Regional Administrator Mike Stoker and Steven Leonido-John will be attending some agenda sessions.

Tuesday, July 31, 2018 - Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA-12): Brent Maier confirmed with Adriana Hidalgo, District Scheduler / Executive Assistant in the Office of Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, Democratic Leader of U.S. EPA's planned participation in the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (HPNS) briefing and tour on the morning of Tuesday, July 31. Brent let Adrianna know that participating for U.S. EPA will be Mike Stoker, Regional Administrator; Amy Miller, Chief of Staff; Enrique Manzanilla, Superfund Division Director; and some additional members of our Superfund management team.

Monday – Tuesday, July 30 – 31, 2018 – Rep. Tom O'Halleran (D-AZ-1): As part of a 2 week "RV-tour" by Representative Tom O'Halleran, his office has requested USEPA participation in a mine site visit of Claim 28 abandoned uranium mine in Blue Gap/Tachee chapter of Navajo Nation. Jack Jackson, Tribal Engagement Representative for the Congressman has proposed the following itinerary: July 30 (evening) – Holiday Inn, Chinle AZ – Dinner and Presentation of US EPA work on Navajo Nation AUM CERCLA work (inclusive of discussion); July 31 (morning) – Blue Gap/Tachee Chapter House, AZ - Meet at chapter house, introductions and statements; Drive to Claim 28 mine: view and discuss mine, possible tour of UNM mobile lab; Return and conclude. Invitees will/may include: Dine Uranium Remediation Advisory Commissioner Sarafina Nez; Navajo Nation Council Speaker; Navajo Nation Council Delegate Kee Allen Begay, Jr.; Chapter President Aaron Yazzie; Phase 1 Trustee, Sadie Hoskie; Phase 2 RSE Trustee, Derrith Watchman-Moore; US EPA; Navajo Nation EPA; and Navajo Nation Abandoned Mine Lands Program. SFD Lead: Freyja Knapp

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 - Phoenix Mayor Thelda Williams: Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting with Phoenix Mayor Thelda Williams and Regional Administrator Mike Stoker for Tuesday, August 21st at 9:00am – 10:00am. The meeting will take place at City Hall located 200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85003. In addition to Regional Administrator Mike Stoker, Alexis Strauss, a senior advisor will be accompanying Mike to this meeting. Brent shared some biographical information for Regional Administrator Mike Stoker as well as a link to information about the EPA Region 9 Pacific Southwest.

Thursday, August 23, 2018 – Public Meeting Hosted by Congressman Salud Carbajal's Office on Arroyo Grande Aquifer Exemption: EPA will be participating in a public meeting at the request of Congressman Carbajal's office on Thursday, August 23, 2018 tentatively scheduled from 5:00pm – 7:30pm at a yet to be decided venue. Water Division's Mike Montgomery and David Albright and perhaps other Water Division staff will be attending. The Congressman's office will be extending an invite to the State's Division of Oil and Gas and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) as well as the Arroyo Grande Oil Field Operator.